Nebraska Attorney General presents **Extraordinary Acts of Service Awards**

Attorney General Jon Bruning would like to recognize individuals across the State who perform extraordinary acts of service for the people of Nebraska.

Herb Spears Protecting Children Award

The Protecting Children Award shall be presented to any individual involved with successfully investigating or prosecuting a child exploitation case. Educators, officers of the law, social services workers or anyone whose role requires direct interaction with young people may be qualified. This award will be presented to recognize those who have acted above and beyond their normal duties to aid in the rescue of a child from a desperate situation.

Main Criteria:

A detailed description of the nominee's role in the investigation or prosecution of a child predator in a child exploitation case which resulted in the perpetrator no longer having contact with children must be provided.

Supporting Criteria:

- Describe the actions, above and beyond normal duties, that aided in the rescue of a child and the prosecution of a child exploitation case.
- Include any new investigative tactics that were employed in detecting Internet crimes.
- Describe the use of all statutes pertaining to child protection in order to hold offenders accountable for perpetrating or attempting to perpetrate on children.
- Any involvement with the legislative process, including clarifying case law to improve prosecution, should be included.

To Apply:

 Fill out the attached nomination form and include any supporting documentation that shows how the nominee has met the main and supporting criteria for the Herb Spears Protecting Children award. Additional materials such as media clippings or letters of support are welcome. Submitted materials will not be returned.